

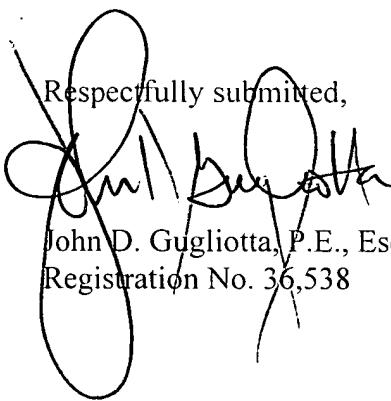
REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-2 were canceled without prejudice, and are no longer under consideration.

Of the remaining claims 3-5, these claims were considered allowable if rewritten to overcome rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claim 3 has been amended to be rewritten in independent form and to amend in an attempt to correct deficiencies pointed out by the examiner in the previous office action. New claims 6-10 have been added as dependent upon an otherwise allowable claim, and therefore should be also considered allowable.

Therefore, in view of foregoing amendments and clarifications, the applicant submits that allowance of the present application and all remaining claims, as amended, is in order and a formal Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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